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Dear Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Applicant calls the Examiner's attention to the patents and publications listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, copies of required documents enclosed, which may be material to examination of the above identified application.

TIME OF TRANSMITTAL

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Respectfully submitted,

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